PELVIC FLOOR SYMPTOMS IN PATIENTS WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS: AN OBSERVATIONAL STUDY

INTRODUCTION

MS is well known for having significant harmful effects on bowel, bladder and sexual function, worsening the quality of life. Although pelvic dysfunctions are common in patients with MS, they remain underdiagnosed.

THE PREVALENCE OF PELVIC FLOOR DYSFUNCTIONS IN PATIENTS WITH MS, TO UNDERSTAND WHICH SYMPTOMS ARE MORE COMMON IN THIS TYPE OF PATIENTS AND HOW THIS AFFECTS THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE

THE AIM OF STUDY

HOW MANY SYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS HAVE RECEIVED PELVIC FLOOR REHABILITATION AND THEIR DEGREE OF SATISFACTION

METHODS AND MATERIALS

The evaluation of pelvic floor symptoms was performed using the following assessment scales:

- ODS (Oxford Urinary Dysfunction Scale)
- Wexner Score
- OAB V6 (Overactive Bladder Symptom Score)

The percentage of patients reporting symptoms of pelvic floor dysfunction was 79%, only 1 in 34 had no symptoms of pelvic floor dysfunction.

CONCLUSIONS

The study shows that although the diagnosis of these disorders is underestimated, the prevalence of pelvic floor symptoms in patients with MS is very high.

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